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MARGINAL COLUMN

By ARTHUR SAUL SUPER

ASSIDUOUS readers of this column will have noticed by now that its writers have not been immune from the occupational disease of all Israel publicists and ideologists, which is to speculate on the future relationship between Jews of this country and the Diaspora. The constant return to the topic is dictated by the fact that so many incidents occur which set one's mind scurrying in new directions to consider it. Whether it is possible to set a general framework it is difficult to say. In his latest utterance, a thinker like Mordechai M. Kaplan, who has been pondering this problem, among others, for nearly fifty years, simplifies his definition of Judaism as a civilization. He suggests that Jews in the Diaspora must reconcile themselves to the idea of being dominated by the civilization of the country in which they live. This is inevitable because it is natural. For the Jew in America for example, Judaism must be the secondary civilization. He will have to look to Israel if he wants to see Judaism as the primary civilization. Therefore, to make his adjustment, his interest in this country will have to be constant, intensive and intelligent.

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NOW when this happens, as it has happened in a greatly increased measure since the foundation of the State, it has immediate repercussions on the life of the Diaspora community. One begins to see how life even in the great Jewry of the U.S. and Canada is in a sense crystallizing around the fact of Israel. The U.J.A. is the central activity of most Jewish communities and the major functions of the communities are directly related to the success or failure of that campaign. This fact has been progressively recognized in recent years by the multiplication of fact-finding and study missions to this country. At first those who came were men and women interested primarily in fund-raising for Israel and seeking material whereby they could do this work more efficiently in their home town and community. But the scope has enlarged tremendously and rapidly—a good deal of it under the impetus of the Tenth Anniversary celebrations.

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IT is therefore interesting to see how the study group idea itself is developing, for this arouses the most curious speculations for the future. A most interesting clue is afforded by the Toronto U.J.A. Mission now touring Israel. This group, consisting entirely of men who have never been here before, prepared for the visit by a five to six weeks' intensive seminar before setting out. They also all sat down to read the latest book about Israel, whether they liked it or not. In this instance, therefore, the concentrated personal interest in Israel of a number of busy and not unsuccessful professional and business men has been extended to nearly two months out of a year.

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THIS tendency is interesting for it indicates the success of one of the more indirect and subtle dividends which some neglected Zionist theoreticians promised us years ago. They told us that when there was a Jewish state the self-confidence of the Jew in the lands of his dispersion would be increased and his status considerably enhanced thereby. He would find an increased measure of security, become more creative as a Jew and more useful as a citizen. The equation of the Jew and his environment was once stated as follows: There are the Jews who are afraid of being more Jewish because it might make them less American; there are those who are afraid of being more American because it might make them less Jewish. Is it going too far to say that there are fairly discernible indications today that under the influence of Israel this dilemma need no longer hold?

Tel Aviv, November 25.

U.S. Note Stresses West's Berlin Rights

BERLIN (UPI). — The U.S., in a protest to the Soviets, on Monday stressed the Western right to remain in Berlin and held the Russians responsible for keeping four-power agreements on the city.

The U.S. mission here served notice on the Soviets it will continue to occupy West Berlin in a note protesting the Communist police attack on Monday on a Columbia Broadcasting System television cameraman.

The U.S. took the opportunity presented by the border attack on Ernst Lechner, 37-year-old West German cameraman, to officially state the U.S. position on Berlin.

It told Russia the U.S. will hold the Soviets responsible for acts of the East German regime. It stressed the Western right of free movement to and within the city.

Three East German police tried to drag Lechner into East Berlin as he was shooting a film on the American side of Potsdamer Platz, where the U.S., British and Soviet sectors meet. One policeman threatened to shoot Lechner if he continued his resistance, but the cameraman successfully fought them off. He knocked down one policeman and broke away to safety.

Meanwhile, a State Department spokesman in Washington and a NATO spokesman in Paris both denied on Monday that a Western top-level conference on Berlin was being planned.

In Paris, a spokesman for the Quai d'Orsay said the next step expected is a Soviet note with proposals on Berlin.

A Soviet Embassy spokesman in East Berlin told correspondents on Monday he did not know when the promised Soviet announcement on the status of Berlin would be made.

He expressed surprise that the West Berliners were excited over the Berlin dispute, and thought Mr. Khrushchev's statement has been completely misunderstood in the West.

The spokesman cited the statement of the East German Premier, Mr. Grotewohl, that all foreign troops should get out of Germany, and said this shows the Soviets are thinking not of the use of force, but of negotiations as a means of withdrawing all foreign troops.

(UPI, Reuter)

$500m. Bonds For U.S.-Soviet Trade

MOSCOW (UPI). — International financial promoter Leo Y. Chertok announced Sunday night the conclusion of an agreement in principle to negotiate a $500m. private bond issue in the U.S. for Soviet purchases of American goods.

Mr. Chertok, who is President of the Mediterranean Oil Company and the Chertok Corporation in New York, has been negotiating here all week with Technoimport and other Soviet importing organizations. He told UPI that Soviet trade experts expressed readiness to accept a concrete offer from American bankers to finance $500m. worth of imports.

Mr. Chertok, who represents a group of private and commercial banks as well as national industrial concerns, said he will return to New York next week to organize a consortium of 15 banks. These banks will underwrite the bonds which will be amortizable within 10 years at 10 per cent *per annum*.

The proceeds of the bond issue will be credited to the Soviet trading agency Amtorg in New York to pay for American machinery, chemicals and other non-restricted goods.

Cypriots Strike On Eve of UN Debate

NICOSIA (Reuter). — An EOKA-called strike was effective through most of Cyprus on Monday on the eve of the U.N. Political Committee's discussion on the island's future.

The only traffic through the silent Greek quarters in the main towns was an occasional security force's patrol. Greek flags were out as small crowds gathered in churches to light candles before ikons while prayers were recited for the "success of our independence plea before the U.N."

In the afternoon, students demonstrated in the streets against the British and had to be dispersed by force. Several arrests were made. A tear-gas grenade fired into a group of demonstrating girls was seized by a 14-year-old schoolgirl while it was still smoking and thrown back at the soldiers.

As students gathered in Metaxas Square, here, crowds of spectators jeered the troops. Sirens then wailed, announcing an immediate curfew.

The Chief of the Imperial General Staff, General Sir Francis Festing, arrived on Sunday night from Britain.

At the U.N. on Monday, Turkey drafted a resolution calling for continued efforts by Britain, Greece and Turkey to reach a "friendly solution" of the Cyprus problem. Greece had earlier tabled a resolution calling for independence for the island after a period of self-government.

Bill Calls For Referendum On Voting System

Jerusalem Post Staff

A private member's bill calling for a national referendum on the question of instituting direct, constituency elections in place of the present system of proportional representation of national lists, was tabled in the Knesset on Monday by Mr. Yosef Almogi (Mapai).

The General Zionists are also expected to submit a bill calling for a referendum but proposing a system of constituencies each returning several (perhaps three) members elected by proportional representation.

Both bills will probably be given their first reading a week from Wednesday.

Leaders of the Mapai and General Zionist Knesset factions are expected to confer on Tuesday (today) to discuss support by the latter for Mr. Almogi's bill which has the backing of Mapai. The General Zionists will endeavour, on the other hand, to get Mapai to accept their electoral proposal.

Both parties are opposed to the introduction of the referendum as a normal policy of constitutional procedure, but believe that only a direct appeal to the electorate on this question can overcome the objections of the small parties.

Every other Knesset faction is against a change in the present electoral system and Ahdut Ha'avoda has warned Mapai that cooperation with the General Zionists on this issue "may endanger the unity of the labour front."

Fear Bid to Drive Soviet Jews From Cities to Birobidjan

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Proposals for a mass movement of Soviet Jews out of the big cities and their resettlement in Birobidjan, in Southeastern Siberia, may be laid before the Soviet Communist Party conference early next year, according to prominent Jewish leaders here on Monday.

They said they were consulting British and other key representatives of World Jewry on the reported Soviet plan in a bid to bring it to the attention of public opinion.

According to the informants, the Soviet authorities wished to concentrate the Soviet Union's Jewish population in Birobidjan, the autonomous *oblast* created in 1934 for colonization by Jewish settlers. The region is believed now to have a population of about 160,000 of whom only about 20 per cent are Jews.

Of the Soviet Union's three million Jews, some 500,000 live in Moscow and one million in the Ukraine, according to Western estimates. Many of the large provincial cities have Jewish communities.

Jewish leaders here fear that economic pressure may be brought on many of these Jews to get them to resettle in Birobidjan against their will.

Kafr Kasim Appeals Court Appointed

Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — The President of the Military Appeals Court, Aluf-Mishne M. Bengal, on Monday announced the composition of the Military Court which will hear the appeals of those sentenced in connection with the Kafr Kasim incident.

Justice Landau, of the Supreme Court, was appointed President of the Court, with the special rank of Aluf-Mishne. Members of the Court will be Sgan-Aluf Mordechai Heruti and Sgan-Aluf Herzl Ashkenazi. Permanent Judges of the Appeals Court; and Sgan-Aluf Meir Pilevski and Sgan-Aluf Benzion Techen, both of the Regular Army.

The Military Court will not hear witnesses but will examine the appeals in the light of the court records. It will hear counsel for the defence and prosecution.

Begin: Herut Gov't in 1959

TEL AVIV — "Next year at this time, we will form a national liberal government" — with this statement and to the continuous clapping of 3,000 Herut Party members, Mr. Menahem Begin, M.K., opened Herut's fifth National Conference at the Mann Auditorium here on Monday night.

Those present included the entire Herut leadership, M.K.'s and prominent guests.

Describing his party's "coming victory" at the polls, Mr. Begin outlined his new programme. This includes "immediate political action" to restore Israel's "historical frontiers"; to refuse all one-sided guarantees of Israel's territorial integrity; a Franco-Israel treaty; refusal to make conditional peace with the Arabs; to force foreign embassies to move to Jerusalem; abolition of control on foreign currency; laws to break up the Histadrut; reorganization of the Shin Beth; "stabilization of wages"; and the enactment of a constitution.

The audience, which included 590 delegates and their families, applauded each mention of "Herut's coming victory," "our underground fighters," "Jabotinsky," as well as personal attacks on Mr. Ben-Gurion.

The applause reached its highest point when Mr. Begin promised that one of his first acts as Prime Minister would be to bring Jabotinsky's remains here for burial. He interrupted his speech to ask the audience to rise and sing the Betar hymn.

Chief Rabbi Nissim brought "The blessings of the Chief Rabbinate," and entered between Mr. Begin and Mayor Haim Levanon.

Chief Rabbi Nissim said that "certain groups are exploiting differences between the communities for their own narrow interests against those of integration." He hoped that Herut, which had "raised the national ideal on high" would change this situation.

Mayor Levanon called on Herut to form a bloc of "national forces."

In his two-hour speech, Mr. Begin presented an economic programme which greatly resembled that proffered last week by the General Zionists. His foreign policy planks include, friendship with Russia — but a campaign against world Communism, and "no diplomatic relations with Germany for eternity."

Legion of Honour For Tolkowsky

TEL AVIV. — The order of Officer of the French Legion of Honour was awarded to Aluf Dan Tolkowsky by the French Ambassador, M. Pierre Gilbert, at a reception at his home on Monday.

2 UAR Army Scouts Killed, One Taken Prisoner in Negev

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two Egyptian Army Scouts were killed and one was taken prisoner in an engagement which took place in the Mishmar Hanegev region several days ago, the army spokesman revealed on Monday.

An Israel patrol noticed suspicious movement in the area, and spotted a person's head protruding from a cave. The troops surrounded the cave and called on those inside to come out. When they received no response, they fired into the cave with machineguns and lobbed in hand grenades. The occupants then replied by also hurling grenades. The patrol again opened fire, and a man emerged. He said that two companions had been killed by the Israelis' fire.

Questioning revealed that the scouts had been sent by Egyptian intelligence to report on military and transport movements and to establish observation points.

Von Horn Back From Talks with Nasser

Post Political Correspondent

General Von Horn, Chief of Staff of the U.N.T.S.O., returned to Jerusalem on Monday afternoon after a three-day visit to Cairo, the U.N. spokesman in Jerusalem, Mr. Albert Grand, reported.

During his stay in Cairo, General von Horn met with Abdul Nasser, Foreign Minister Fawzi and War Minister General Abdul Hakim Amer. The U.N. spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* that the only purpose of General Von Horn's visit was "to pay a courtesy call on President Nasser."

It is believed, however, that recent incidents on the Syrian border lent added importance to the U.N. Chief of Staff's meeting with Nasser. As long as the Syrians continue to maintain military positions in the demilitarized area, Israel circles remain doubtful whether personal exchanges between U.N. officials and U.A.R. leaders will have any appreciable effect in restoring calm to the Israel-Syrian border.

Police Rescue Herd From Syrian Rustlers

TIBERIAS. — Two armed Syrians on Monday made off with the herd of 78 head of cattle belonging to Tuba, an Arab village in Upper Galilee. Other Syrians, probably soldiers, opened rifle fire at the herd's unarmed shepherd, who ran off to alarm the border police.

A police squad reached the bank of the Jordan River before the rustlers managed to transfer all the cattle across the border, retrieving 52 head.

A complaint was lodged through the Mixed Armistice Commission.

THREE SENTENCED

SAFAD. — Three Lebanese infiltrators, captured in September near kibbutz Sassa, were on Monday given sentences by a military court ranging from 20 months to two years.

At the same time Deputy Superintendent Y. Budinger, Commander of the Safed-Nazareth Police Division, announced that the charges against eight Galilee Arabs suspected of espionage activities on behalf of the U.A.R. would be filed in the Haifa District Court today (Tuesday).

Police Catch Suspect In Assault Case

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BENYAMINA. — Police have caught Badran Mohammed Amass, 22, from the village of Gesher-Zerka near here after searching for him for 24 hours. He is suspected of assaulting a young girl soldier and of injuring a policeman when fleeing from arrest.

Amass was driving his motorcycle when he overtook a girl soldier near Pardess Hanna. He offered her a lift to the main road. She accepted and when they reached the road leading to the Ytong factory, the girl says, he turned into the sideroad leading to the sand dunes, stopped the motorcycle and attacked her.

An Army officer who happened to be passing by called the Pardess Hanna police station. A police officer sent to arrest Amass was reportedly attacked by the suspect and left with head injuries. The assailant fled in the direction of Gesher-Zerka village.

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UNOGIL to Quit Lebanon in Dec.

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, the U.N. Secretary-General, announced on Monday that the evacuation of the U.N. Observer Group in Lebanon (UNOGIL)) probably would begin next Friday and be completed by December 10.

In a report to the Security Council he said the withdrawal plan had been accepted by the Lebanese Government.

Closing down of stations and sub-stations preparatory to withdrawl would begin on Wednesday, he said. All stations except Marjaoun would function as staging areas as required during the withdrawal process.

Military presonnel would be withdrawn in three phases, respectively involving 120, 153 and 102 observers.

Key personnel, air staff and "personnel required for logistical commitments" would be involved in the third phase. Their evacuation, Mr. Hammarskjold added, would "depend on how quickly key personnel will either complete their duties or be relieved of them."

300 Iraqi Tribesmen Said Fled to Persia

TEHERAN (Reuter). — The Teheran evening newspaper "Keihan" reported on Monday that 300 Iraqi tribesmen armed with rifles and machineguns who fled over the Azerbaijan border into Persia had been granted asylum by the Persian Government.

'Youssef' Plotters Face Tunis Court

The trial of 58 alleged "Youssefist" plotters against the Government of President Habib Bourguiba opened the high Court in Tunis on Monday.

Salah Ben Youssef, former Secretary-General of the ruling Tunisian Neo-Destour Party, fled to Cairo in 1956 after a discovery of a conspiracy led by him against President Bourguiba's life. He was sentenced to death in his absence, and has been living in Cairo ever since.

President Bourguiba said on Sunday that Youssefist plotters would be treated "without pity." At the same time he announced the arrest of several Egyptian officers implicated in the plot to overthrow his regime.

The hearings are expected to take several weeks.

In Cairo Sunday night, Ben Youssef called the President's charges "fantastic accusations." The United Arab Republic also officially denied the charges and claimed that the trial of "non-existing" Egyptian officers in Tunis was a "comedy."

The Egyptian press attacked President Bourguiba as an "imperialist stooge." "Al Ahram" said he is "competing with little King Hussein" in demonstrating his loyalty to his "imperialist masters."

Tunisia broke off diplomatic relations with the United Arab Republic last month after alleging that it was implicated in an assassination plot.

Ghana-Guinea Union Seen Vital for Africa's Future

The proposed union between Ghana and Guinea, announced in Accra on Sunday, may in the view of diplomatic observers in London, prove to be of fundamental importance for Africa and its future place in the world.

It posed to observers the question whether rivalry would develop between a Union of West African States and the United Arab Republic for leadership in Africa, or whether the leaders of these countries can harmonise their efforts towards helping the achievement of independence by those territories still under colonial rule.

The Prime Ministers of Ghana and Guinea, Dr. Nkrumah and Mr. Sekou Toure alluded in their declaration to the example of the 13 American colonies in bringing independence in the 18th century, as well as to present tendencies towards independence in Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

(Reuter, UPI)

No White Bread Unless Price Up, Bakers Say

TEL AVIV. — Bakers will stop baking white bread on November 28 if their demands for an increase in the controlled prices of standard and white bread are turned down by the Government, an emergency meeting here of the bakers, organized in the Artisans' Association, decided on Monday night.

They called on the Government to abolish the law linking bakers to specific flour mills, and demanded a rise of 22 pruta in the controlled price of standard loaves and an increase of 17 pruta for white bread.

SUDAN TO REVIEW NILE AGREEMENT

General Ibrahim Abboud, who seized power in Sudan last Tuesday, has told a press conference in Khartoum that his junta will hand over to a civilian government in from six months to a year, according to Paris Radio's Arabic transmission.

Vice-Premier Abdul Wahab declared in an interview with the Middle East News Agency on Sunday night: "We will review the 1929 agreement on the division of the Nile waters, and if we find it in our interest we will accept it; if not we will cancel it."

The agreement had been repudiated by the Khalil government which Abboud deposed.

French Sudan To Be Republic

BAMAKO, French Sudan (Reuter). — The French Sudan Territorial Assembly on Monday unanimously proclaimed the territory a Republic within the French Community.

French Sudan is the first territory of mainland French Africa to proclaim its status under the new French Constitution adopted in the September referendum. It lies east of Guinea.

Complete Triumph For De Gaulle in Elections

Voters Want French Algeria

By MAURICE CARR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The French electorate, wooed by a bewilderingly large array of parties, has expressed its preferences in no uncertain manner, and the first Parliament of the Fifth Republic should prove a manageable body divided into a well-defined centre-to-right-wing governing majority and a sizeable Socialist opposition minority.

The French people's choice may be summed up in one word—Gaullism. Hense the emergence of the newly-established Union for the New Republic (UNR), led by Information Minister Jacques Soustelle and former Defence Minister Chaban Delmas — both stout friends of Israel — as the largest moderate party.

Hence also the success of old parties such as the Independents (Conservatives) Socialists and Progressive Catholics, which were all Gaullist. Hence the semi-failure of the Radicals, who were split between Gaullists and anti-Gaullists and the fiasco of the dissident Socialists and personalities such as M. Mendes-France, who campaigned against Gen. De Gaulle in the recent referendum. The Communist loss of 1.5 million votes and the virtual extinction of the Poujadists likewise can be ascribed to the anti-Gaullist attitude of these extremist factions.

Leftists Defeated

The left-wing Gaullist Party for Republican Defence, which presented several well-known candidates of high calibre, suffered total defeat, indicating a pronounced shift to the right in the pattern of French political thinking.

Commenting on the results, M. Soustelle said that they confirmed the nation's determination to keep Algeria French — indubitably a correct interpretation which helps to explain the poor showing of left Gaullists, whose lukewarmness in regard to Algerian integration must have lost them many votes.

Pending the second ballot next Sunday, it is uncertain whether the Independents (Conservatives) or the Union for the New Republic — who are expected to join in a coalition government — will have the stronger claim to the premiership. However, M. Soustelle's party, assured as it is of the backing of most of the 71 future Algerian Deputies, is bound to hold the commanding position in the new Parliament.

Not "Classical Right"

Leaders of the UNR have hastened to proclaim that their party does not belong to the "classical right" but stands firmly in the centre. Its composition is mixed, ranging from very liberal to right, even to extreme right, elements.

The big question which the future alone will answer is whether the new Gaullist Party can maintain cohesion and discipline among its heterogeneous members, control its ultra-colonialist Algerian supporters and apply a strong but truly generous policy for the swift emancipation of the Moslem masses — the *sine qua non* of peace on the other side of the Mediterranean and of stable, prosperous democracy on this side, in accordance with Gen. de Gaulle's programme.

Heavy Defeat For Communist Party

PARIS. — The results of Sunday's nation-wide parliamentary elections showed that the magic of Gen. Charles de Gaulle's name had dealt a major defeat to the once powerful Communist bloc in the National Assembly.

From a high of 148 in the Fourth Republic Parliament, the Communists may drop to 40 or 50 seats after next Sunday's run-off elections. It was the Communists' poorest showing since 1928, when under a similar electoral law they captured only a dozen seats with a total vote nearly equal to the triumphant right-wing parties.

The Communists remained the largest single party in France, but their share of the vote dropped from 25.6 per cent in 1956 to 18.9 per cent. Their popular vote amounted to 3,882,204 — a loss of 1.5 million votes since 1956.

Sunday's election was only the first round, and a candidate had to have a vote of 50 per cent plus one to get a seat. Only 42 of the 465 Assembly seats in metropolitan France were filled—and only one of these was a Communist.

Next Sunday, whoever gets the most votes will take the seat.

Communists led on Sunday in only 58 of the 466 voting districts, according to unofficial figures. Unless non-Communists suddenly start voting Communist, which is very unlikely, the Communists stood hardly any chance of winning more than 58 seats next week, as compared to the 150 they occupied in the outgoing Assembly.

It was much more likely that, because of non-Communist alliances which will be formed against them this week, they would win fewer than 58.

As some candidates in metropolitan France ran under several labels, it is difficult to give a precise breakdown by parties. But an unofficial breakdown of the 42 candidates elected is as follows:

Conservatives (official and unofficial) 17; UNR 9; MRP (Catholic Republicans) 9; Radicals and Near Radicals 3; Socialists 2; Communists 1; others 1.

Four candidates in the Paris area got no votes at all in yesterday's French general election while two others — a Poujadist and a campaigner for National and Social Renewal — got one vote each.

(UPI, Reuter)

HOLLAND TO HAVE NUCLEAR TANKER

ROTTERDAM. (Reuter). — The Netherlands Foundation for Nuclear Energy in Merchant Shipping announced on Monday that work on the first Dutch nuclear-propelled tanker will soon begin.

The foundation's vice-chairman, Mr. J. E. Waltjer, said a nuclear reactor plant will be built into an existing tanker of 16,000 tons.

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The coffin will be brought to the Z.O.A. House, Tel Aviv, today, November 25, at 9.30 a.m.

The funeral will leave from Beit Epstein, 34 Rehov Alfasi, Rehavia, Jerusalem at 1 p.m. and will pause on its way to the Givat Shaul Cemetery at the courtyard of the National Institutions, Rehavia.

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The funeral cortege will leave on Tuesday, November 25, at 9.30 a.m. from the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv, on its way to Jerusalem.

We wish to extend condolences to Z.O.A. House, in their sorrow over the passing away of their Director

Elias M. Epstein

and our sympathy to the bereaved family.

FEINER ADVERTISING

Social & Personal

Mrs. Abraham Multer, wife of the U.S. Congressman, has visited the General Israel Orphans Home in Jerusalem.

An exhibition of photographs, drawings, documents and printed matter on Nazi barbarism against the Jewish people was opened in Haifa on Sunday night at Beit Chen, near the Armon Cinema. It was organized by the Institute for Historical Documentation, under the auspices of the World Jewish Congress, and will be open until December 5.

Israel-Yugoslav Trade Talks Open in J'lem

Talks were begun at the Foreign Ministry on Monday for the renewal of the trade agreement between Israel and Yugoslavia, it was officially announced.

Yugoslavia was represented by Mr. Perovic, Adviser to the Yugoslav Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and Israel by Mr. A. Chelouche, Deputy Director of the Economic Division of the Foreign Ministry.

The last trade negotiations between the two countries took place in Belgrade in December 1957 and the present talks are being held within the framework of annual consultations on trade matters.

The volume of trade between Israel and Yugoslavia has been rising steadily since the signing of the original commercial agreement in 1956, reaching more than $11m. in 1957. A similar volume is expected to be reached this year.

The main Yugoslav purchases are: tires, wool, yarn, cars and citrus fruit. Israel imports from Yugoslavia include wood, wooden boxes for packing citrus fruit, and cattle.

Quit Orders Against 3 Israelis Quashed

TORONTO (INA). — Deportation orders against three immigrants from Israel were quashed here by Justice R. L. Ferguson of the Ontario Supreme Court. The judge condemned the government's investigation of these cases as having a "Gilbertian flavour" and of having been "a farce."

The defendants in all three cases had entered Canada as students and had later applied for permanent immigration status. Justice Ferguson ruled that "once on our soil, an immigrant is entitled to the protection of our laws. He is even entitled to invoke any provision of the Immigration Act in his favour."

He characterized as "a farce" the procedure of ordering the deportation of a person "who did not have that which he was applying so earnestly to get from the persons empowered to give it."

Unhappy Husband Fled to Jordan

A resident of Rosh Ha'ayin, Ezra Mahzeri, 38, who strayed across the Jordan border following a quarrel with his wife two months ago, was returned to Israel on Monday through Mandelbaum Gate, Jerusalem.

(Itim)

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

3.30, 6.45, 8.45

ARNON: Twilight for the Gods
EDEN: Eximtree County
ORNA: Ten North Frederick
ORION: Hercules
OR GIL: Witness for the Prosecution
RON: The Strange One
SEMADAR: Bolshoi Ballet
TEL OR: Une Vie
ZION HALL: The Buster Keaton Story
EDISON: Sissi (2 Teil) Die Junge Kaiserin
STUDIO: Piroschka

TEL AVIV

3.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: Robinson
3.30, 7.15, 9.30.
ARMON DAVID: Montparnasse 19
CHEN: Run Silent, Run Deep
3.30, 6.45, 8.45
EDEN: The Rich Walter
3.30, 6.45, 8.45
ESTHER: Les Girls
GAT: The First Texan
MAXIM: Sisters
MIGDALOR: La Traversee de Paris
MOGRABI: The Bridge on the River Kwai
OPHIR: Glieadalina
ORION: Foreign Intrigue
3.30, 7.15, 9.30.
PEER: Herr Leber Leben Und Tod
SHDEROTH: Viktoria Und Ihr Husar
TAMAR: An Angel Passed in Brooklyn
YCHELET: Guys and Dolls
TEL AVIV: Fraulein
YARON: Der Kongress Tanzt
ZAMIR: Anbrod'te
ZAFON: Discreto Addio

HAIFA

3.30, 6.45, 9

MORIAH: Don't Go Near the Water
ARMON: Hussren Manoever
EN DOR: Don't Tell Anyone
ORLY: Et Dieu. . . crea la femme
AMPHITHEATRE: A Certain Smile
ORAH: Big House, U.S.A.
PEER: The Bridge on the River Kwai. 3, 6, 9.
ATZMON: Angst
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LAW REPORT

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In The Supreme Court Sitting As Court Of Civil Appeals

Before the President (Justice Olshan) Justices Landau and Witkon.

Daoud Adurin, Appellant, v. The Custodian Of Absentees' Property, Respondent (C.A. 163/57).

Armenian Had No Right to Specific Performance of Land Sale Under White Paper Regulations.

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on May 14, 1957 (in C.C. 283/55).

The appellant, Daoud Adurin, brought an action in the Tel Aviv District Court for specific performance of two agreements of sale between himself and two Arab absentees, such agreements concerning a plot of land in the Ramle District and were concluded in 1940 and 1945 respectively, after the 1939 White Paper and the Land Transfer Rules based thereon had been enacted. In accordance with these rules anyone who was not a Palestinian Arab could not buy land in certain areas of the country. At the time the Ramle District was included within these specific areas. The Land Registration Office therefore refused to register the transfer of the parcels of land in question as the buyer, Daoud Adurin, is an Armenian and not a Palestinian Arab. The latter however, took occupation of the land.

In 1942, when the area was settled under the Land (Settlement of Title) Ordinance, the parcels in question were registered in the names of their original owners and no mention was made of Adurin's rights.

The White Paper and the Land Transfer Rules were abrogated by section 12(b) of the Law & Administration Ordinance, 1948, enacted immediately after the establishment of the State. But it was not until 1955 that Adurin brought his action for specific performance of the agreements and registration of the transfer in the Land Registry, as till then it had been impossible to do so for technical reasons connected with the destruction of the land registry for the Ramle District during the War of Liberation. The action was brought against the Custodian of Absentees' Property as the original Arab owners had meanwhile become absentees.

Judge Zeltner of the Tel Aviv District Court dismissed the claim on two grounds; first, on the ground of laches, as he held that the action for specific performance had been unduly delayed, refusing to accept Adurin's explanations why he had not brought the action before the establishment of the State as they had not been contained in the statement of claim, and backing up his decision with a reference to section 43 of the Land (Settlement of Title) Ordinance. And, secondly, on the ground that he was not persuaded of the justness of the claim on a factual basis as, in accordance with the list of agricultural property tax-payers, the original Arab owners of the land in question had paid the property tax on it up to 1947.

Section 43 of the Land (Settlement of Title) Ordinance states, "Save as provided in the Ordinance, the registration of land in the new register shall invalidate any right conflicting with such registration."

Mr. Ben Yishai appeared for the appellant and Dr. Eltiss, Deputy State Attorney, for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Landau, who delivered the judgment, considered firstly the District Court's decision as to laches, holding that a plaintiff who claims specific performance of an agreement is not obliged to proffer any explanation of any undue delay in bringing his action in his statement of claim. For, he continued, the plea of laches is by its nature a defence and if such a plea is contained in a statement of defence, then the plaintiff's explanation of the delay could only be produced in a statement of reply to the defence, if one were in fact filed. Furthermore, in the present case, he pointed out, the appellant had claimed that he had received possession of the land in question and had worked it until the War of Liberation, and in face of a claim of this nature the delay in registering the sale of the land may not be held against him (see C.A. 167/51, P.D. 9/5). In addition, continued Justice Landau, the appellant had mentioned the difficulties connected with the White Paper rules at the beginning of proceedings before the District Court. The District Court had therefore not been entitled to dismiss the action on the grounds of laches.

Justice Landau then went on to discuss the fact that the original owners' names had appeared on the list of agricultural property tax-payers, holding that this was of no significance since in accordance with the law the registered owner of land is liable for the property tax on it and no one disputed the fact that the original owners still remained the registered owners of the land. This did not, however, prove anything with regard to the question of who had actually paid the tax in question, which the appellant claimed to have done from his own pocket.

Turning next to the question whether section 43 of the Land (Settlement of Title) Ordinance invalidated the appellant's claim, Justice Landau discussed the significance of this section, described as the keystone of the whole system of land settlement, and pointed out that the Supreme Court, both during the Mandate and after the establishment of the State had given a wide interpretation to the term "conflicting right" in this section, holding it to be not only a registered title to the land itself — *a ius in rems* — but also a right by prescription — *a ius ad rem*. (see C.A. 244/45, 13 PLR 84, and C.A. 193/56, P.D. 11/1267). In the latter case, however, the right must already have been completely existent at the date of settlement for it to be invalidated by the registration.

In applying this principle to the present case, continued Justice Landau, a right to specific performance also being *a ius ad rem*, this right would be invalidated if not put forward at the time of settlement only if it had been complete and enforceable at the time. However, the appellant's right to specific performance of the agreement of sale was not enforceable at the time when settlement took place because of the embargo placed upon such sales by the White Paper Regulations (there being sufficient evidence to point to the appellant's being an Armenian and therefore not a Palestinian Arab.) Any effort on the part of the appellant to have the land in question registered in his own name at the time of settlement would consequently have been completely vain and abortive. The appellant's cause of action, therefore, became real only after the White Paper Regulations were retroactively repealed from May 1939 by section 13(b) of the Law & Administration Ordinance. The appellant had therefore had no "conflicting right" in the year 1942 and section 43 cannot consequently serve as a stumbling-block in the way of furtherance of his claims to specific performance of the agreements made before 1942.

Justice Landau nevertheless held that the case should be returned to the District Court as certain facts still had to be clarified. District Court judgment quashed and case returned. Respondent ordered to pay IL100 costs.

Judgment given on November 12, 1958.

Claims Social Cases Harm Kiryat Yam

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Bayside community of Kiryat Yam (population 12,000) has been dealt a crippling blow by the high proportion of social cases — for whom it can find neither employment nor welfare funds — which have been directed to it by the settlement authorities.

The Chairman of the Local Council, Mr. B. Friedman, who heads a seven-man coalition of Mapai, Progressive, Ahdut Ha'avoda, Mapam and Religious councillors, explained on Sunday that the Jewish Agency consistently disregarded the limited absorptive capacity of Kiryat Yam. The community has been settled largely by immigrants since 1948, and lacks employment-providing industries.

"Kiryat Yam is regarded as an urban region and as such is denied the status of a development area with the attendant benefits. Yet it is expected to support a disproportionately high number of sick, old or otherwise incapacitated persons unlikely ever to become tax-payers who remain a permanent burden on the community's resources," Mr. Friedman said.

Hard-Core Welfare Cases

The Council chairman, listing the liabilities the small town had to cope with, recalled that in 1953 the Kurdanch "Bet" *ma'bara* with 600 families, had been incorporated, with its residue of 130 hard-core cases maintained on below-subsistence aid from the Ministry of Social Welfare and local funds. In 1956/57, he went on, the wave of immigration added another 80 destitute families, all social cases. And as if that were not enough, the Jewish Agency has sent another 20 families of unabsorbables to Kiryat Yam, he declared.

Men over 55 have to be employed on emergency projects. Not only educational facilities but even school books, warm clothing and food must be provided by the community, without outside help for the children of the social cases.

"Kiryat Yam must be closed to such newcomers until it becomes sufficiently consolidated to absorb them. And it must be given the status of a 'development area' to make that progress," Mr. Friedman concluded.

Plan Centre In T.A. Underground

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Municipal Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday (tomorrow) to study plans of the Meyer Investment Corporation for the construction of a three-storey underground business centre under Dizengoff Circle.

Mr. Mordechai Meyer, the financier, met on Sunday with a sub-committee headed by Deputy Mayor S. Shoshani to discuss the outlines of the financing operations involved in the IL10m. project. The centre will include a cinema and a parking lot.

It is understood that the Meyer Corporation intends to interest Austrian investors in the project. The municipality would be expected to contribute IL1m. The scope of the money involved has aroused opposition in certain Council circles, and the Finance Committee will have to deal with the matter.

The city management favours the project, regarding it both admirable as a public air-raid shelter and as a contribution to the city's business life. On the other hand, the opposition represented by Councillor Y. Rabinowitz, fears the effect of a new business centre on existing commercial enterprises in the area. They would welcome the construction of an underground parking lot in the Dizengoff area.

Eilat Desperate for Physician

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Among all the doctors in the country, not one has been found willing to practise at the Government hospital in Eilat.

The hospital's chief and only physician has threatened to resign unless he is assisted by a second doctor. In vain have Ministry of Health officials been trying to engage some one to help Dr. M. Gelman, a highly respected gynaecologist who has been in Eilat since his arrival with his family from East Europe last year, where he had held an important medical post.

He has been helped out sporadically by doctors sent for brief stays, mainly by the Tel Hashomer hospital which has "adopted" the Eilat establishment. The Ministry has now appealed for help to Hadassah.

"We still hope to find a doctor and have begged Dr. Gelman to remain at his post in the meantime," a Ministry official told *The Jerusalem Post*. It reflects on the profession that not a single young doctor is willing to take up a post of such a rewarding nature, he said. The job carries with it an air-conditioned dwelling as well as the usual Arava salary increment and income tax exemption.

Dr. Gelman has a two-year contract with the Ministry after which he will probably become head of a ward in a hospital further North, a post more in keeping with his abilities and experience. At present, when he needs to conduct an urgent operation he has to summon the help of a doctor from Tel Hashomer.

It took months before a young man was recently found to serve as administrative secretary at the hospital and the mother and child centre, a Health Ministry official declared.

While Dr. Gelman carries on single-handedly in the well-equipped, six-bed hospital coordination organizationally between the local Kupat Holim clinic and its two doctors is non-existent, it was understood. It is said that three doctors could certainly meet all the town's needs, provided they were of complementary specialities. The two Kupat Holim doctors are general practitioners, he declared.

It is learned that a report drawn up 18 months ago, before the establishment of the hospital, and which had made alternate suggestions to a hospital had been "buried alive" by orders of the Ministry authorities. The report, commissioned by the Ministry, had proposed that it would be more worthwhile to have one, or perhaps two, helicopters stationed at Eilat for serious cases to be flown north than building a local hospital, in addition to the clinic. It further urged that a system of medical "radio advice," similar to that practised at sea, be instituted.

With the arrival of a sanitary inspector for the town and shipping in port in two weeks' time, the Ministry plans to merge the hospital, mother and child centre and sanitation services into a Health Centre. A candidate for director has been found and will probably go to Eilat in February.

Eilat is not considered a border town, and thus medical personnel liable for military call-up cannot be directed there.

MAYOR AGRON OFFERS IL 300

9 More Needed to Follow Suit

The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, has offered the Toy Fund a IL300 donation from the Mayor's Fund, provided nine other persons or institutions follow suit.

The manager of Taxi Trumpeldor in Tel Aviv turned up with IL10 for the Toy Fund on Monday and thereby hangs a tale. One of the drivers had to pick up an elderly gentleman from the Parents Home at Ramat Chen, but the driver forgot. The company imposed a IL10 fine on the driver and contributed it to the Toy Fund.

Cash contributions of IL447 arrived yesterday, bringing the total to IL5,079.532.

IL100 Union Bank of Israel Ltd., Tel Aviv.

IL50 Ellern's Bank Tel Aviv in memory of Mrs. Marion Hoofien.

IL25 Priman, Ramat Gan.

IL20 Yehudit Biluth & Yoram Arieli; Tamara & Lydia, Tel Aviv.

IL18 Office of the Naval Attache American Embassy; In honour of Lisa Jane Klepper, born to Rael and Carol Klepper, New York.

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IL4 Leah & Michael Frei, Rehovot. Oded Brosh, Ramat Gan.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.

English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Handel: Overture in D-minor; Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 1 in B-flat-major, Kochel 207 (Soloist: Tibor Varga); Haydn: Symphony No. 92 in G ("Oxford"), (Conductor: Nicolai Malco). 12.00 Woman's Programme. 12.15 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 Light Music. 1.10 Oriental Songs. 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. News in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 Popular Songs and Melodies. 5.30 Torah Lesson by Dr. Nehama Leibowitz. 5.55 A Farming Guidance Programme by O. Kapeliuk. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Interlude. 6.35 Histadrut Programme. 7.20 Ron Ami. 7.35 Documentary Programme ed. by Emek Peri. 8.05 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Georg Singer. Soloist: Alexander Tal (Violin). Boscovits: Little Suite; Bartok: Violin Concerto; 8.50 Bible Reading; Melachim 1, chap. 3 & 4. 9.10 (Concert Cont.) Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 3 in A-minor ("Scotch") opus 56. 10.10 In Memoriam: Prof. Klausner. 10.35 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 460, 293.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 Chamber Music at the Prades Festival, 1958. Beethoven: Sonata in A for Cello & Piano played by Pablo Casals & Mieczeslav Harszowsky. Bach: Two Motets, performed by the London Bach Group directed by Casals. 6.40 Vocal Recital by Bella Kaplan (Mezzo-Soprano).

7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Mograbit. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Rumanian. 9.15 Hungarian. 9.30 Polish. 9.45 News in English. 10.00 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—2.15 and 5.30—11.15 p.m. Persian 5.15 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.):
Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.40 Topical Talk. 6.45 "Around and About" with Anita Davis. 6.55 Hebrew Corner.

Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.25 Topical Talk. 10.30 "Man at Work."

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs & Melodies. 7.00 News. 7.15 Requests for Classical Music Works by Dukas & Mendelssohn. 8.00 "For your Information." 8.20 Songs from films & musical shows. 8.35 Reporting Programme. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Investigation" — Sketch. 9.45 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.80, 16.84 & 24.80): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. "Mid-Week Magazine."

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00—11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 496 M.): 7.45 a.m. News. 12.30 p.m. Midday Melodies. 1.30 News. 4.30 Teatime Music. 7.00 News and Commentary. 7.15 Sven Asmussen & his Jazz Fiddle. 10.00 "A Life of Bliss." 10.30 Sound Track Serenade. 11.00 News.

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Lord Samuel Given Order of Merit

LONDON. — Queen Elizabeth has conferred the Order of Merit on Lord Samuel, 88, the veteran Liberal leader.

The Queen invested Lord Samuel with the insignia of a member of the order at an audience at Buckingham Palace after a meeting of the Privy Council which Lord Samuel had attended and which marked the 50th anniversary of the day when he was sworn in as a Privy Councillor. He was then Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Home Department.

This is only the second time the award has been made to a member of the Jewish faith. He was the first High Commissioner for Palestine.

The only other Privy Councillor with a record of 50 years' service in the council is Sir Winston Churchill. The ordinary members of the Order of Merit do not exceed 24 in number. *(The Times)*

Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli :—**
Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo :—**
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-6.

• **Exhibitions :—**
New Exhibitions : 10 Years of Archaeological Activities, 1948-1958. Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1, 3-5.
Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 100 works of Jules Pascin (Bezalel Museum's Collection). Ludwig Schwerin, watercolours, gouaches and drawings. Paintings by Landau, of the Ecole de Paris. Woodcut Illustrations to Virgil, 1502 edition. Archaeological pieces from the Museum's collections. Samples of Primitive Sculpture. Bezalel Museum, 9-1, 2.30-5.
Oil paintings by Kalman Haak, Artists' House, 10-1, 4-6.
Oils, gouaches, watercolours and drawings by Helen Barth. Hanna Holsmann: Artistic Creations Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Ave., 10-1, 3-6.
Children's Paintings — pupils of Mrs. Tessa Rakosh. Artists House, 10-1, 4-6.
Watercolours by Henry Miller, Jerusalem Artists House, 10-1; 4-7.

• **Tours —**
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• **Film Shows: —**
Israel Films daily, 11.30 Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Lectures:—**
"How Court Sentences are Determined," by Dr. Y. Rave, Judge of Tel Aviv District Court. Auspices Israel Society of Criminology. Beit Hehalutzot, 14 Rehov Ibn Gvirol, Jerusalem, 8.30.
Impressions of the Moscow International Congress of Architects and Engineers, by Mr. Ya'acov Ben-Sira, Engineer, and Mr. Arieh Sharon, Architect. Artists House, 6 p.m.

TEL AVIV

• **Restaurants—**
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• **Exhibitions :—**
"Wizo on View." Wizo Tourist Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, 9-3.
"Sculpture in Israel — 1957-1958," Tel Aviv Museum, 10-4.
Painters and Sculptors Gallery, 26 Rehov Weizmann, 10-1; 4-7.
Paintings by David Labkovski, Artists Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1, 4-7.
Exhibition of Biblical Literature at Beit Hasofer, 6 Rehov Hakirya (continuation of Dizengoff). Admission : 200 pruta. Reduction to organized groups. Open 10-1; 4-8. Saturday 10-1.

• **Tourist Service :—**
Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825, 8-2 p.m.

• **Entertainment :—**
Daigan & Szumacher: "Zeh vi du gehst." Ohel Shem, 8.30.

• **Z.O.A. House:—**
American Documentary Films. 8. Tourist Service 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• **Theatre:—**
Habimah "Street of Stairs," 8. Ohel. "The Respectful Prostitute," 8.30.
Cameri, "Look Homeward Angel," 8.

HAIFA

• **Exhibitions :—**
Exhibition of Consumer Goods: fabrics, furniture and tableware. Industrial Design Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranot, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Tourist Service:—**
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliyah Offices, 22 Rehov Hehaluts, Tel. 67955.

TIVON

• **Theatre:—**
Habimah, "Cry, the Beloved Country," 8.

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Sand-Stricken Settlers Soothed by Song

ASHDOD. — The spirits of this new town, hit hard by the weekend's sandstorm, were given a musical lift on Sunday night with the help of the "Composer Meets the People" project, which has been initiated by the American-Israel Cultural Foundation in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture's Information Service.

Recent arrivals from Egypt and Poland overfilled the sand-covered Cultural Centre for the town's first community sing. Only six benches were available, one of which broke during the singing. Light was provided by hurricane lamps. After the official part of the programme ended, the town's youth danced folk dances until well into the night.

Composers Issachar Miron, Mordecai Zeira, and Bar-Zimra came from Tel Aviv with three accordionists, and the singing leader, Ovadia Tuvia. *Y. B.*

Tel Aviv Stock Market

NOVEMBER 24, 1958

Pop. Loan [illegible] (11.10)	100½
4% Comp. Loan '58 (f)	71
Pal. Bearer Bds ser. 3	97
4% Comp. Loan	66
3½% War Loan 54/59	98½
4% Lev. Dollar (-)	97½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	98½
3rd Loan Bonds 60¾ (-)	103
4½% Int. Bonds (-)	105½
4½% Int. Bonds (-)	103½
4½% Int. Bonds (-)	101½
4½% Loc. C. Debs. (-)	102½
4½% Loc. C. Debs. (-)	278
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	106½
4½% Bonds 58/63 (-)	113
ditto (-)	
Keren Hayesod 6½% Deb 58/65 (-)	103½
ditto (-)	106½
6% Deb 59/65 (-)	102
ditto (-)	101½
Igroth 6½% Deb. 58/63	102½
Hassco 6½% Deb. 58/64 Class "A" (-)	102
Class "B" (-)	109½
Hassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	90
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	147
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	85½
Bk. Leumi Investment Ord. sh. 'B' reg.	100
Ata ord. 'B' sh.	81
"Kurdaneh" ord. 'B'	80½
7% con. debs. 59/63	84
"Teva" ord. sh.	81
Pal. Cold St. ord sh. reg.	135
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Rizur 4% debs. 56/63	90½
Nir 5% pref. sh.	94
Gen Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	75
L.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	90
5% debs.	82½
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	56
Meller ord. sh. reg	1065
Pal. Brewery 9% con. debs.	74½
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	65
Nesher 6% debs "A" 55/64	117
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	53
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Mekorot pref. sh.	78
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Weather Synopsis: A ridge of high pressure extends from the Balkans to Cyrenaica, causing a northerly flow in our region.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	30	5	15	16
Tiberias	32	12	21	24
Haifa Port	61	12	20	20
Natanya	48	11	22	22
Tel Aviv Kirya	38	6	20	22
Tel Aviv Port	53	7	18	21
Lydda Airport	16	3	21	23
Jerusalem	9	9	18	19
Beersheba	13	6	20	23
Sdom	24	12	21	24
Eilat	7	13	28	25

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Prof. I.L. Seeligmann, of the Hebrew University, from a six-week visit to Europe, during which he delivered guest lectures at the Universities of Copenhagen and Lund.

Mr. Zvi Tsur, of the Machteshim company, after a two-month trip to Europe, (by El Al).

DEPARTURES

Mr. Pietro Tortorici, the Italian Consul General in Jerusalem, for a short visit to Italy, (by Swiss Air).

Mr. Ze'ev Grodetzky, General Manager of Ampa-Amoor, to the U.S., for a five-week visit on company business, (by Swiss Air).

Mr. Z. Argaman, of the Foreign Ministry's legal department for a three-week trip to Europe on Ministry affairs, (by Swiss Air).

Mr. Alexander Tsur, First Secretary at the Israel Embassy in Ghana, with his family, to take up his post, (by El Al).

M. Jean Babilée, together with 13 members of his troupe, for Rome, (by Air France).

B-G at Immigration Loan Council Opening

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Prime Minister will on Tuesday (today) address the first meeting of the 100-member Public Council for the Immigration Loan at the Jewish Agency conference hall in Jerusalem.

Other speakers will be Dr. Dov Joseph, Jewish Agency Treasurer, and Dr. Yeshayahu Foeder, chairman of the Immigration Loan's Executive Committee.

Afro-Asian Seminar Guests in Beersheba

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Sixty members of the Histadrut-sponsored Afro-Asian seminar on cooperation visited Beersheba on Monday. They were received at noon by the Mayor, Mr. David Touviyahu, who guided them on a tour of the town.

The guests mingled with the townsfolk, who invited them to cafes and chatted with them. On Tuesday, the group will visit Sdom and the Dead Sea Works.

INDIAN GROUP HERE FOR CO-OP SEMINAR

LYDDA AIRPORT. — The Indian delegation to the seminar on cooperation arrived here on Sunday by Air France. The group had been prevented from coming in time for the opening of the seminar owing to the illness of its leader, Mr. Nimrol Shandra.

Arriving with him were Messrs. Prakash Lakshmindra and Baburam Tigi. *(Itim)*

Nat'l Religious Party Attacks Toledano for Entering Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Y. M. Toledano, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Monday that he would continue to resist pressure from both the National Religious Party and organized religious groups abroad.

Rabbi Toledano received cables from American organizations of Orthodox rabbis last week, pressing him not to accept the Religious Affairs portfolio. Circles close to the Minister regard these cables as part of a campaign begun by the National Religious Party leader, Mr. M. Shapiro, who is now in the U.S., against Rabbi Toledano's nomination to the Cabinet.

The daily newspaper of the National Religious Party, "Hatzofe," on Monday carried a personal attack in its leading column on Rabbi Toledano for agreeing to enter a government "that has a thoroughly Cana'anite-Marxist (approach to Judaism) which clashes with the unique nature of the Jewish people as a holy people."

Campaign Against Minister

This attack is part of the Party's general campaign against the new Minister. He has commented to the press on the article saying that "it is strange that after having been in the Government for 10 years, the National Religious Party should only now come to recognize it as Marxist-Cana'anite."

The Minister told *The Post* that he would meet with the Prime Minister shortly to outline proposals to settle the dispute over registration of nationality on identity booklets. "My solution will satisfy Orthodox circles, as well," he said.

In the meantime, it is understood that talks are in progress with a number of persons who are being invited to take up senior posts in the Ministry.

Mr. A'aron Y. Moyal, a lawyer, and a prominent member of the Sephardi community, has been asked to become Director-General. Mr. Moyal, who is legal consultant to the General Mortgage Bank Ltd., told *The Post* that he has not yet decided whether to accept the offer.

Congregations Celebrate

The Sephardi congregations in Tel Aviv and Jaffa celebrated Rabbi Toledano's entry into the Cabinet on Sunday evening after the official announcement had been made. The congregants left their synagogues to dance with the Scrolls of the Law in the streets. Later in the evening, delegations crowded into the Rabbi's home to congratulate him.

On Monday, the new Minister travelled to Kibbutz Afikim in the Jordan Valley to attend the Bar Mitzva of several children. A month ago, he paid a similar visit to Kibbutz Ashdot Ya'acov.

Mayor Agron of Jerusalem on Monday sent a telegram of congratulations to Rabbi Toledano.

The Committee of the Sephardi Community in Jerusalem on Monday issued a statement welcoming the appointment of Rabbi Toledano as Minister for Religious Affairs, which it says, has "partially rectified the existing injustices to the Sephardi community in all spheres of public life." It also sharply condemns "religious circles inciting against Rabbi Toledano."

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DEATH. — Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, 94, who as Lord Edgar Algernan was one of the chief architects of the ill-fated League of Nations, died on Monday after a fall at his home at Tunbridge Wells, England.

B-G Tells Knesset Of Toledano's Post

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Prime Minister announced in the Knesset on Monday the decision of the Cabinet to co-opt Rabbi Ya'acov Moshe Toledano as Minister for Religious Affairs. Mr. Ben-Gurion also announced that the Minister of Health, Mr. Israel Barzilai, would head the Ministry of Posts as well.

The disposition of the Social Welfare portfolio, Mr. Ben-Gurion said, had been deferred until the Cabinet's meeting next week.

The Speaker reported that the debate on Rabbi Toledano's nomination would be held next week. The reason for the postponement of debate was the absence of the Herut faction, owing to their conference in Tel Aviv.) There is no debate on the assignment of another portfolio to a serving Minister.

The Progressive Party's Executive is scheduled to meet on Thursday in Tel Aviv to decide whether to press the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, to accept the Social Welfare portfolio, *The Jerusalem Post* learned on Monday.

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Canadian Visitors Give Dinner for Bankers

HERZLIYA. — Criticism that Israel was out of line with the world trend towards free trade in industry was voiced by Mr. David Dunsky, President of the Israel Foreign Investors Association, at a dinner given by the Toronto-U.J.A. Mission to a number of Israel bankers and economists at the Accadia Hotel on Monday.

"This country must stop mollycoddling industry by a Chinese Wall of tariff and other restrictions," he said.

Mr. Meir Grossman, head of the Jewish Agency Economic Department, warned the Mission not to compare Israel with other countries. "We differ in everything," he said. "One of our largest 'taxpayers,' the U.J.A. subscriber, lives abroad, and mothers learn their mother tongue from their children. Be quite clear on one point," said Mr. Grossman, "people here are increasingly self-supporting."

Mr. David Israeli, Joint-General Manager of the Bank Leumi, told the gathering that high rates of interest were, in fact, harmful to the economy, but we should not exaggerate them.

The dinner was presided over by Mr. Arthur Minden, Q.C. Mr. Sam Saltzman, replied on behalf of the guests.

On Monday the delegation visited industrial plants in the Tel Aviv and Sharon area, as well as the Canadian Hadassah Wizo's children and youth village, "Hadassim."

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New Envoy from Norway, Mr. Carl M. F. Irgens, is shown between President Ben-Zvi and Foreign Minister Meir after presenting his letters of credence on Monday. Photo by Schlesinger

Norwegian Minister Presents His Credentials to the President

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The new Norwegian Minister to Israel, Mr. Carl M.F. Irgens, on Monday presented his letters of credence to President Ben-Zvi at a ceremony at Beit Hanassi.

In his formal address, Mr. Irgens, who is also his country's envoy to Greece, told the President: "The Norwegian people have followed with great admiration the development of Israel during the past ten years." He added: "We Norwegians know that, out of deserts, the people of Israel have created conditions which are admired by the peace-loving and liberal countries of the world."

Replying, Mr. Ben-Zvi spoke of the common democratic traditions of Israel and Norway, and said:

"The Government of Israel and our nation will always remain profoundly conscious of and grateful for the spontaneous humanitarian help which the people of Norway have given our brethren in tragic and difficult times.

"This help has found a most fitting expression and has left a permanent mark on the landscape of our country where the village of Yanuv testifies to the help accorded by the working people of Norway in the return to their homeland of children from countries of the Diaspora."

The President also asked the new Minister to convey to King Olav sincerest good wishes for his well-being and that of his people.

Following a custom initiated two years ago, the military police guard of honour which took part in the ceremony later marched out into the main streets of the City for a miniature parade through Jerusalem.

The martial music of the unit's brass band broke through the crisp noonday air as the parade marched past the King David Hotel where Mr. Irgens, back from the ceremony at Beit Hanassi, watched from a balcony.

The instruments of ratification of the cultural agreement between Israel and Norway, signed on November 26, 1957 in Oslo, were exchanged on Monday at the Foreign Ministry between the Norwegian Minister and the Deputy Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Maurice Fischer.

The agreement covers the granting of scholarships to students, the strengthening of links between scientific and cultural institutions, and the encouragement of cultural exchanges.

Child Dies Of Accident Injuries

A seven-year-old girl who was hit on Sunday evening by a car died of her injuries at the Safad Hospital during the night.

The accident occurred when Sarah Saltzman, of Kiryat Shmone, let go her mother's hand and ran across the road, where she was hit by the fender of the oncoming car.

The driver, Mordechai Gross, 36, was held for questioning.

MEKOROT on Monday reduced Eilat's water supply by 20 per cent because the Local Council has failed to defray its IL40,000 debt to the water-supply company. The Council had paid Mekorot IL5,000, but the company felt this did not warrant its reconsidering its threat to cut the town's water supply.

Levant Fair Opens May 26

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — One of the main election year events scheduled for Tel Aviv is the Jubilee Exhibition on May 26. The city will resume the tradiion of Levant Fairs, started by Tel Aviv in pre-World War II years, and the familiar sign of the "Flying Camel" will be set up ten-metres high on the main Tel Aviv-Herzliya road near the Ramat Aviv entrance to the exhibition grounds.

Lying on 300 dunams north of the Yarkon River between the Ramat Aviv housing estate, Tel Baruch and Sheikh Munes, the site was planned two years ago as a public park. The trees planted then will become an integral part of the Exhibition grounds, the chief architect, Mr. Arieh Elhanani, told the press during a tour on Monday.

The central building at the exhibition is a domed pavilion which will display the 50-year history of Tel Aviv and fraternal greetings from older cities abroad.

Other pavilions will house trade exhibits provided by local firms and Municipal enterprises.

The last Levant Fair in 1935 held during the term of office of the late Meir Dizengoff, was visited by 536,000 persons. The North Tel Aviv grounds on which the Levant Fair took place are still referred to as 'the Fair grounds' by bus drivers today, Mayor Haim Levanon recalled at a dinner on Monday.

The local authorities of the Tel Aviv district—Ramat Gan, Givataim and Bat Yam—representing a population of 600,000 will form the Levant Fair Company, together with the Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers and Merchants Associations. Cost of developing the grounds and erecting the essential buildings is expected to total IL3m.

Hans Schonlank Dies in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

We regret to announce the death in Jerusalem early Monday morning of Hans Schonlank, 68. Burial took place in the Givat Shaul Cemetery. He was a retired official of the Central Bureau of Statistics and the husband of Mrs. Claire Schonlank, for many years secretary to the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*.

Mr. Schonlank came of an old Berlin Jewish family and before coming to this country in 1937 was a well-known librarian in Germany.

Among those present at the funeral was Mayor Gershon Agron, Founder of *The Post*. Two of Mr. Schonlank's colleagues from the Central Bureau of Statistics and a relative spoke at the graveside.

Correction

The Haifa Branch of the Israel Institute of Productivity wishes to announce that the

GRADUATION CEREMONY

will take place on **Wednesday, November 26, 1958, at 7.30 p.m.,** and not as erroneously stated in its advertisement of Nov. 23.

Storm Damage Thought Less

Jerusalem Post Staff

Damage to settlements in the Negev and the North by the weekend's dust storms seems to have been far less serious than was at first assumed, a Jewish Agency spokesman said on Monday.

The damage to farm buildings and dwellings, which was estimated by the Ministry of Agriculture at about IL500,000 will be repaired by the Agency's Settlement Department and the Ministry of Labour. The Labour Ministry will carry out repairs only in immigrant and young settlements, and has issued instructions to begin work, a Ministry spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Damage to crops was discussed on Monday morning at a meeting of representatives of the Settlement Department and the Ministry of Agriculture. The condition of the fields not having been finally assessed, no decision was taken as to compensation, it is understood.

The ill winds had at least one good effect in Beersheba, our correspondent there reports. The flies which had been plaguing Beersheba have now vanished.

It will take up to three weeks to estimate the damage to the citrus crop, a spokesman of the Citrus Growers' Association in Herzliya told *The Post*. Though most of the fruit did not fall from the trees, it was bruised.

Our Tiberias correspondent reports that Lake Kinneret fishermen returned to work on Monday after five days of enforced idleness due to the high winds.

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Baby Girl Found Dead by Father

TIBERIAS.— Leah Shukrun, aged one, of Neve Eitan in the Beisan valley, was found dead by her father on Sunday evening when he came home from work.

The child's mother told the police that when she fed her at noon on Sunday the baby was apparently in the best of health. The body was taken to the pathological department of the Rambam Hospital, Haifa.

Postal Rate Rise 'Not Worth Crisis', But Mapam Opposes It

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The rise in postal rates announced last week by the Ministry of Posts came up again in the Knesset on Monday during the continuation of the debate on the IL40m. supplementary budget.

Postal Fees To Rise—Barzilai

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The increase in postal and telephone rates announced last week will take effect as planned, the new Minister of Posts, Mr. Israel Barzilai, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Monday.

He said that the rise, which was approved by the Economic Interministerial Committee, was a *fait accompli* that could only be resumed by the Knesset. Members of the Minister's party, Mapam, were known to have opposed the increase.

Asked whether there would be any reorganization in the new Ministry, Mr. Barzilai who is also Minister of Health, said that he had yet to familiarize himself with the work of the Posts and would meet with its administration in a few days time. After then he would also decide, as to how he would divide his time between the two Ministries. (No merger of the two is intended).

Mr. Barzilai said that it was unlikely that a Deputy-Minister of Posts would be appointed.

According to Mapam Knesset circles, the portfolio of Posts was given to their party in proportion to its Knesset strength. Ahdut Ha'avoda, with 10 Members of Knesset, already has two Ministers and a Deputy Minister (Agriculture), while Mapam, with nine M.K.'s, had until now two Ministers.

AHDUT CRITICAL OF BARZILAI'S NEW JOB

TEL AVIV. — Criticism of the appointment of Mr. I. Barzilai (Mapam) as Minister of Posts was voiced in a statement published on Monday by spokesmen of the Ahdut Ha'avoda Party's Knesset faction.

The Party regretted that the Government had not made the Ministry of Posts part of the Ministry of Transport. A member of the Ahdut Ha'avoda Party, Mr. M. Carmel, is the Minister of Transport.

As Mr. Hanan Rubin (Mapam) was speaking of the inflationary effect of indirect taxes, he was interrupted by Mr. Zalman Susayeff (General Zionist): "What's your view on the increases in postal and telephone rates?"

Replied Mr. Rubin: "I am certainly not satisfied with the rise in postal rates. But if you ask me whether there should be a Cabinet crisis over this, I say 'No.'"

Mr. Shmuel Shoresh (Mapai) opposed reductions in agricultural subsidies. These subsidies should not be considered "contributions" to agriculture since they derived mainly from agricultural sources.

'Initiated Employment'

Mr. Idov Cohen (Progressive) called for long-term "initiated employment" to last until the new immigrants were absorbed. The IL20m. Immigration Loan would not suffice, and the Development Budget should be used to help solve the problem.

Concentrating on the IL4m. item in the supplementary budget for the Education Ministry, Mrs. Shoshana Persitz (G.Z.) asked whether the number of grade school pupils had really increased beyond the figure anticipated at the beginning of the year. Of the IL3.8m. allocated for elementary school education, IL1.5m. was earmarked for paying teachers the "frozen third" and c-o-l increases. Both of these should have been taken into account when the original budget was prepared.

The debate is now concluded and the reply of the Finance Minister will probably be heard next week.

Safe Found But Diamonds Missing

ASHKELON. — Police found on Monday the missing 300 kg. safe, containing IL15,000 worth of diamonds, in an abandoned Arab house in a plantation four miles from town. The police did not reveal the exact nature of their discovery but it is believed that the door of the safe had been forcibly removed and the diamonds extracted. *(Itim)*

CONCERTGOER'S FORTE PLAINT OVER BUS COMPANY'S LENTO SERVICE

A Jerusalem attorney on Monday sued the Hamekasher bus cooperative for interfering with an "aesthetic experience" by bringing him too late to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's concert at the Binyanei Ha'ooma on November 13.

Mr. Avraham Riftin, who filed suit in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court, claimed that on the date in question, Hamekasher had been remiss in failing to discharge the obligation it had undertaken several years ago when it established a special bus service from Rehavia for Israel Philharmonic subscribers. On November 13, Mr. Riftin alleged, he, his wife and several dozen other subscribers had to wait half an hour for a second bus after a previous bus had been filled up. When they arrived at the Binyanei Haooma, the auditorium's doors had already been closed, and the group had to stand in the balcony until the intermission.

Mr. Riftin said he had decided to take the matter to court only after the bus cooperative had ignored his request for IL50 damages.

Cables in Brief

PRIZE. — One of France's top literary awards, the Prix Femina, was on Monday awarded to 28-year-old Belgian-born Francoise Mallet-joris, mother of three children, for her novel "L'Empire Celeste."

LEHMAN. — The foundation by the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, of a "Herbert H. Lehman Institute of Ethics" for the study of the Talmud and its application to contemporary problems was marked on Sunday night by a dinner in Mr. Lehman's honour.

Gazit Out on Bail

Foreign Minister Meir's Political Secretary, Mr. Mordechai Gazit, was released on bail in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court on Monday pending investigation of charges that he is responsible for causing the road death of a Beit Hakerem Secondary School pupil on Friday.

Mr. Gazit was detained after the automobile he was driving struck and fatally injured Binyamin Brosh, who was riding a bicycle on Ruppin Road in Jerusalem. The boy was taken to hospital where he died on Friday night. The boy had won the school's literary prize last year. *(Itim)*

Hashish Fished Up Out of Sea

TEL AVIV. — Two hermetically sealed rubber tires fished up out of the sea on Saturday by the fishing trawler "Zevulun" three miles off Khan Yunis in the Gaza Strip contained 218 packets of hashish worth about IL15,000.

On Saturday, the captain radioed news of the catch to police in Jaffa. He had reported that when the crew hauled their dragnet, they found the tires with the hashish which was turned over to police on Monday evening when the trawler come into Tel Aviv. *(Itim)*

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The management and staff of *The Jerusalem Post* wish to express their deepest sympathy to Mrs. Claire Schonlank, on the death of her beloved husband, HANS, who passed away in Jerusalem on November 24.

Elias Epstein, ZOA House Head, Dies

We regret to announce the death in Tel Aviv on Monday of Elias M. Epstein, Director of Z.O.A. House, at the age of 63.

The body will be taken at 9.30 on Tuesday morning (today) to the Z.O.A. House where eulogies will be delivered before the funeral cortege leaves for Jerusalem. He is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters.

Elias Epstein was born in Liverpool in 1895 and came to this country in 1919 with the Zionist Commission which he served as Press Secretary. In 1920, he joined the Jewish National Fund whom he served for more than 30 years. He founded its Anglo-American (Overseas) Division.

An able journalist in Hebrew and English, Mr. Epstein founded, in 1920, The Palestine Weekly, forerunner of *The Palestine Post* (now *The Jerusalem Post*). He was a leader writer for *The Palestine Post* and a contributor to many foreign Jewish and non-Jewish papers.

Among the many offices he held was that of Chairman of the Jerusalem Office of the United Nations Association.

Retiring from the J.N.F. in 1953, he hoped to devote himself to writing but responded to the request of the Zionist Organization of America to take over the direction of the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv, which he developed into a centre for cultural, educational and social activities in Tel Aviv. *A. E.*

AN APPRECIATION

Probity, integrity, undeviating adherence to the cause set by the star in a constellation of his own choosing no matter what price, prize or profit — these marked Elias Epstein from the time he set foot in this country in 1919, when he arrived as a young and early British pioneer with his mother and brother, to the end of his days.

"Sonny," his mother's fond name for him, readily accepted by his friends, in the 40 years in Jerusalem compromised neither with his conscience, nor his own views and ways of life.

If he had ambitions, they were tempered by a dominant but unostentatious desire to serve his people in the land of his—and he hoped their — choice. His refusal to make friends and influence people the easy way by adaptation and toning down of his own beliefs evoked the respect of people, friends and adversaries alike, who held fast to other ideas and advocated other means of approach to the exactions and exertions of our ever-multiplying problems and challenges.

All this means that Epstein was an uncomprising, often an intolerant, man. He had a mind, and he spoke it; principles, and he lived by them with a finicking resolve compounded of precision and persistence. He was nobody's yes-man, whether in religion (he was an observant Jew), politics — and he was a party man — or administration, where he was an exacting master.

As a public servant during his years with the J.N.F., and as a premature pensioner, he sought and found scope for his restless energies. His greatest satisfaction on the personal plane must have been in the ways he found to give his children a higher education beyond the apparent means of a middle-class wage earner; and here he was true to the Jewish tradition.

As editor, writer (under such pseudonyms as Eliahu Zacutta), compiler, newspaper correspondent, and mostly as press agent, he was distinctive; probably because in his invincible humility, distinction was furthest from his thoughts.

His parting before his time leaves a void which not only those closest to him must feel very keenly. *A.*

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NOW that the sandstorm has subsided, farmers throughout the country, and particularly in the South, are able to return to their more constant anxiety over the delay in the season's rains which threatens the further disaster of another drought year. This is the price which has to be paid when man sets out to battle with Nature and turn a desert into a fruitful place. It is true that prophecy foretells that the desert shall, indeed, blossom like the rose, but the People of Prophecy know that the attainment of that blessing is largely in their own hands.

AFTER THE STORM

Fortunately, with the abating of the whirlwind the settlers most affected have been able to breathe again and take a second look. They find, as we so often do in such a case, that the damage is not as great as was anticipated, although it is bad enough. Discussions have already begun between the Settlement Department of the Jewish Agency and the Government bodies directly concerned in order to make sure that the settlers most affected are reasonably compensated.

It must not be forgotten that those who go down to the Negev are pioneers in the truest sense of the word, but responsibility for them belongs to the nation as a whole, for it is they who hold the pass for all of us. In connection with this storm, one's first temptation is to say that no matter how much Man dares and attempts in the face of Nature, he is always at a disadvantage because in one moment Nature can suddenly act capriciously and destroy the constructive labours of years. But this is a facile and superficial conclusion. Man is seriously outmarshalled at the beginning of his battle with Nature, but in the end it is he who prevails upon her and conquers her. We see it in the world of physical science, where Man stands poised on the treshold of wresting the final secrets from Nature's treasury. But we see it even more intimately and picturesquely in our own country. Today, one of the most beautiful panoramas in Israel is that of the Valley of Jezreel, and the breathtaking loveliness of the scene is entirely man-made and has been imposed on a deadly malarial swamp in the course of a struggle extending over thirty years. We begin to see it in the Hula region, where engineering skill and human determination have conquered a wilderness, and will also defeat the evil in the human nature of those of our enemies who oppose progress with guns and the murderer's methods.

The Negev represents the greatest battle this country has to fight. At the moment, while the battle is still in its infancy, the settlers are at a disadvantage. When the sand and the storm counter-attack, our defences are still feeble: a few square-kilometres here and there wrested from the desolation at the cost of back-breaking toil and crippling expense. But we have the answer in the experience of our new nation. It lies in more settlement, more afforestation, more water and more people who are prepared to set their faces against the storm.

It is fortunate that the damage caused by the tempest which raged over the week-end was less crippling than at first anticipated. But it is important that we learn to profit from this disaster. We must greatly increase the pace of settlement, for only by closer settlement will the menace of the desert be thrust back and finally obliterated.

RABBI KOSSOVSKY TO BE J'LEM FREEMAN

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion is to be present at the ceremony when Rabbi H. Y. Kossovsky, the 88-year-old scholar and author, is made a Freeman of Jerusalem. The ceremony is fixed for December 15.

The Municipal Council decided several months ago to honour Rabbi Kossovsky in this way.

MINISTER OF RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

Personality Profile — Rabbi Ya'acov Toledano

By MARK SEGAL

Farouk. During his 12 years of service in Egypt, he was also Chief Rabbi of Alexandria and its Av Beit Din. From there he was called to the Chief Rabbinate of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

RABBI Ya'acov Moshe Toledano, who will cut short 18 years of service as Sephardi Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv-Jaffa to become Minister of Religious Affairs, fits into the classic concept of the sage with a tolerance for the weaknesses of humanity.

The Chief Rabbi's reception room in Rehov Lilienblum, breathes warmth and friendliness. The excellent coffee served to all visitors is only part of the hospitality extended to all.

Born in Tiberias in 1880, the Rabbi is a 17th generation descendant of the Jews expelled from the Spain of Ferdinand and Isabella. His family settled in Tiberias in 1820, after leading 300 families to the Holy Land from Algiers. He remembers the Arab-style house in which he spent his childhood: "We had Arab neighbours, and got on well with them. In those days, Tiberias was a good place to live in for a Jew — even the Gentiles would shut their shops on the Sabbath — it was better in that way than Tel Aviv today," he recalls.

From his earliest years, Rabbi Toledano has taken part in public affairs. After receiving his Smicha at the Tiberias Yeshiva, he founded the first kindergarten and youth centre for his community, but even then his interests were not restricted to his own territory, and he travelled to Beirut and Damascus in search of old manuscripts. An important phase in his early life was the four years he spent in Peki'in, where he founded the first Hebrew school for the local Jews. "That was the year of the cholera plague and we moved there because a legend said the Angel of Death never visits Peki'in and because of the pure water and good carobs." Whilst in the ancient village, the Rabbi unearthed portions of the ancient synagogue — part of the beginnings of his archaeological interests.

Buying in Tiberias

On his return to Tiberias, the Rabbi found that the Arabs planned to buy the lands separating the town from such holy places as the graves of Maimonides and Rabbi Akiva. This he prevented by organizing a land acquisition society whose purchases later greatly helped to strengthen the Jewish section of the town.

The First World War brought the expulsion of large numbers of Jews from this country. Many of those who lived in Galilee were French nationals, and 800 of them, led by Rabbi Toledano, were deported to Corsica. Immediately on arrival he contacted Alliance Israelite in France, which arranged for their material and spiritual needs. He himself went to Paris to negotiate their repatriation and the French Government sent them a special boat to convey them home via Beirut.

On his return home, Chief Rabbi Toledano returned to public affairs. He recalls meeting the first High Commissioner: "I remember him at a festival with the Bokharans. Sir Herbert looked a little put out in the colourful robe which the Bokharan elders had given him for the occasion."

In the 1920s he was called to North Africa to fill important religious posts, the first of which was to head the Beit Din and open a Rabbinical College in Tangiers. Four years later, he was invited by the Egyptian Chief Rabbinate to head the Cairo Beit Din and to serve as Egypt's Deputy Chief Rabbi. At this time he made the acquaintance of the Egyptian Kings Fuad and Farouk. During his 12 years of service in Egypt, he was also Chief Rabbi of Alexandria and its Av Beit Din. From there he was called to the Chief Rabbinate of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

All of Rabbi Toledano's spare time is devoted to writing. He has produced 24 studies in religious history, law and research, and especially treasures his discoveries of important manuscripts. One of the big ones resulted from a chance meeting in Damascus. He happened to visit the house of a poor Jewish woman, and found in her kitchen remnants of what turned out to be the original manuscript of Maimonides' Interpretations of the Mishnaot. "It's lucky I came in time; she was using a page a day to wipe the dishes with," he recalls.

The MS eventually went to Solomon Sassoon of the famous banking family, who published it together with other important documents in 1956. Rabbi Toledano's association with the Sassoon Family began under the Turks, when the family matriarch ("and a very learned lady she was") regularly came "to take the waters" at Tiberias. The Rabbi's last trip abroad, in 1956, was connected with the Maimonides MS: he went to London to look at the proofs of the book. In 1950, he went to Morocco on behalf of the Hebrew University to investigate some important documents which had come to light, including the 15th century letter of a Palestinian Jew to Don Isaac Abarbanel.

His greatest sorrow is the loss of his greatest discovery. In old Tiberias he found a scholar who possessed ancient scrolls, one of which he copied — it was a 1,500-year-old letter from Hillel Hanassi, the Second of the Pumbedita College in Babylon. "To my sorrow the original scroll was lost with the house, which was destroyed with old Tiberias." But he managed to get the copy published through Mossad Harav Kook.

Rabbi Toledano's knowledge of Halacha has brought him a wide following. His ruling on *Agunot* — wives who lost their husbands under Hitler and could not prove it — settled many difficult cases throughout Western Jewry.

Role as Minister

CHIEF Rabbi Toledano sees his role as Minister as two-fold — to separate religious affairs in the State from "their present state of close identity with a political party"; and to accord "equality to Sephardi rabbinical and religious leaders in the Ministry and local Religious Councils." Great pressure was exerted on him, to prevent his receiving the portfolio, especially after his press conference a few weeks ago when he complained of discrimination against his flock by the National Religious Party. "Do not misunderstand me, I am not against Hapoel Hamizrahi, I have cordial personal relations with its leaders, but I am opposed to attempts of a party to make religion its monopoly."

"Religion belongs to the entire nation, and the Ministry of Religious Affairs must be above parties and not the property of one community."

In this connection, one must remember that Chief Rabbi Toledano is the highest religious dignitary in the Sephardi hierarchy after Chief Rabbi Nissim. His spiritual authority extends far beyond the borders of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

Returning to the problem of discrimination against his community, "Over 80 per cent of the Sephardi immigrants are religious. But what was the position at the Ministry? Only two per cent of the officials are members of the Sephardi community, and after all the difference between the communities lies in religious tradition."

In the local rabbinates the position is similar. "Where there were two Rabbis, the Ministry awarded the Ashkenazi rabbi the title of Local Rabbi whilst the Sephardim were called Communal Rabbis — involving lesser status and a lower salary. Even at weddings the Sephardi Rabbi would hold the ceremony but had to obtain the signature of the Ashkenazi Rabbi."

An important task, the Rabbi feels, is to grant rabbis in immigrant *moshavim* a subsistence salary: "Many of them receive only IL40 per month, no one can expect them to fulfil their functions on that."

Uniting Nation

Above all, the future Minister sees his task as an "opportunity to bring the nation together. I do not hold extreme views on religious issues, one must be flexible, so as not to split the nation into two parts." He follows Maimonides' "Golden Rule" in these matters. He followed this policy in Tel Aviv and mingled with all parts of the nation at all times. Recently he attended a *bar mitzva* at Kibbutz Ashdot Ya'acov — "and I intend to go on doing so when I am Minister."

Through the Ministry, the Rabbi hopes to be able to encourage the preservation of the traditions of the various communities, especially their liturgy and pronunciation of the prayers. He regards such projects as Inbal as excellent attempts to afford the entire nation the opportunity of appreciating the unique qualities of its various components.

The officials at the Ministry are in for a hard time to judge by their new Minister's schedules. He does not require much sleep. Up by 5 a.m., he begins writing before dawn.

He holds an open house — "I believe a Rabbi should be accessible to his community and not be an official with receiving hours," and receives callers at all hours, despite his family's protests. "Only last night the bell rang at 10.00 p.m.: two Rabbis wanted me to settle a dispute between them," he recalls happily.

He holds his own views on various "touchy issues." The convening of the Sanhedrin? "It would be a positive move, but only if the members are elected on their merits as scholars; it would be disastrous if they were chosen according to party key." The registration regulations issue? "If a Jew claims he is a Jew, then one has to accept him as such. But if he wants to marry, then the Rabbinate has to investigate."

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Mapai 'Sulha' Meeting

Haboker (General Zionist) discusses the "secret" gathering last weekend of the guiding spirits of Mapai at Kfar Hayarok in the hope of effecting a "*sulha*" between the veterans and the rebellious young guard. The paper suspects that beside the desire to get the youngsters to toe the veterans' line, the Party has an uneasy feeling about the future of its rule in the State.

Hatsofe (National Religious) protests that the co-option of Rabbi Toledano, who only yesterday affixed his signature to the Chief Rabbinate's document condemning the registration decision, as Minister for Religious Affairs, does not mitigate in the least the danger to Judaism inherent in a government stand which negates the Law of the Torah, threatens to introduce chaos in the House of Israel by encouraging mixed marriages and thus rends the nation.

Ma'ariv writes that the appointment of Rabbi Toledano throws up into bolder relief the break in the ranks of the orthodox and at the same time confuses the issue that brought about the split in the government. The question is whether he will have the strength and integrity to avoid being exploited for party gain by secular politicians.

Herut notes that the Herut Movement's fifth country-wide conference, which meets at a crucial time, is singularly aware of the mortal threats from the East and alive to the need that something radical must be done to save our economy and succour our society from the demoralization, corruption and cynicism that stem from the materialist doctrine of our present rulers. The movement is the people's only hope.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) comes out flat against the proposed referendum on the elections system and feels that it is not right to refer one of the country's basic laws to popular decision, thus circumventing Knesset authority. The paper hopes that democratic logic and moral reasoning will prevail in Mapai ranks who will renounce a course that will destroy the labour partnership in government.

Ha'aretz (non-party) opposes the raising of postal rates and adds that the Ministry of Post, which by dint of inefficiency has incurred a budgetary deficit, is not the only Ministry to cut its losses by imposing the burden on the public. Treasury consent to these increases will only ensure the perpetuation of an inefficient service.

Davar (Histadrut) writes that destroying surplus vegetables is no better an answer to the problem than cutting down cultivation, although it is better to have a surplus than a dearth. The best solution is to draw up a comprehensive plan for the use of surpluses if and when they turn up. **Al Hamishmar** (Mapam) too advocates more efficient planning in addition to conferring upon the Vegetables Marketing Board full authority not only to cover losses but also to deal with production and marketing.

Frondizi Pays Election Price

Unwilling Soft-Pedalling of Peronismo in Argentina

By J. HALCRO FERGUSON

LONDON (OFNS). — ARGENTINA seems to be weathering the most violent storm it has encountered since the overthrow of the dictator Juan Peron in 1955.

The revolution which overthrew Peron was different in one vital way from those which have overthrown other Latin American dictators in the last few years. Like the revolutions in Colombia and Venezuela, it was supported by intellectuals, journalists, businessmen, liberals, and priests, all of whom — for their own reasons — wanted to see democracy restored or implanted. As elsewhere too the revolution was also supported in general by the armed forces, who alone were — and are — capable of overthrowing a Government by force.

But in Argentina the revolution was not supported, as elsewhere, by the vast majority of the working population and the trades unions representing them. In Argentina a large section of the workers supported *Peronismo*, because the Peron regime raised their wages, seemed to take them seriously, and gave some of them a higher standard of living than they had ever known before.

Peron's Record

And, since Peron purported to be governing in their name, it is easy to understand why they ignored the fact that Peron was a dictator, that he enriched himself at the expense of the taxpayer, that he manipulated the constitution to his own advantage, and that he almost wrecked the economy of one of the potentially richest countries in the world.

This Peronista sentiment had to be taken into account by those who helped to overthrow him. The first acting President after the 1955 revolution was General Eduardo Lonardi, an officer and a gentleman and a devout Catholic who insisted that the revolution should recognize "neither victors nor vanquished," and who refused to take strong action against those who had supported Peron.

His colleagues, while respecting his Christian attitude, felt it to be impractical, and persuaded him to resign after three months. He was succeeded by another military man, General Pedro Aramburu, who had less inhibitions about getting tough with his political enemies. But he too had strong moral principles. He called elections in February of this year, but declined to throw the Government's weight behind the candidate he obviously approved of: Dr. Ricardo Balbin, of the People's Radical Party.

The ex-dictator, Juan Domingo Peron, in exile in the Dominican Republic, and "wanted" in Argentina for such non-political offences as indecent behaviour with minors, had no such inhibitions. He ordered his followers, numbering two million out of Argentina's 20 million population, to vote for Dr. Arturo Frondizi, and the candidates of the Intransigent Radical Party. Frondizi, a lawyer, had led the tiny Congressional Opposition to Peron during the dictatorship, but Peron did not mind saddling him with an embarrassing responsibility. Frondizi, for his part, did not mind getting the votes.

Argentina's former Vice-President, Dr. Alejandro Gomes, fled from his office in Buenos Aires recently when a crowd of President Frondizi's supporters broke into his quarters and demanded his resignation.

Paying the Penalty

Since then, Frondizi has been paying the penalty of his pact with the devil. He has been forced, for purely political reasons, to follow the Lonardi line of "neither victors nor vanquished." He has tried to please both the old-time Radicals and the Peronistas who voted for him. As a result he has irritated practically everybody. In the professional field, both the doctors and the lawyers (including the judiciary) have virtually gone on strike. University students have rioted for and against the recognition of "private," i.e. clerical-universities (Peronistas and anti-Peronista radicals are against it, anti-Peronista Catholics in favour). Finally, he has found himself in endless trouble with the trade unions, who are half Peronista and half anti.

All this blew up last week when both Houses of Congress, dominated by Intransigent Radicals, passed a Bill nationalizing the nation's oil resources. The Bill also allowed foreign companies to help in the exploitation of the oil. Economically, this made sense: thanks to the Peron Government's squandering of foreign exchange, the peso's value is dropping every day, and thanks to the Peronista encouragement of industrialization, Argentina needs to import more oil than ever before, because she lacks the technicians and knowledge to develop her own.

But Peronistas are also nationalists, and Mendoza oil workers are now on strike against permitting foreigners to enter the industry. Sixty-two other Peronista unions are threatening to strike in sympathy — and in demanding wage increases which the Peron-damaged economy cannot afford. Frondizi's first reaction to this was to slap on a State of Emergency and arrest union leaders.

This caused a Cabinet crisis and Frondizi subsequently authorized the police to release union leaders and also met representatives of the 62 dissident unions.

Over Tightrope

It may well be that he has succeeded in walking the dangerous tightrope he has been on since his election. He has, at any rate, one or two things in his favour. The Peronista unions are afraid of pushing him too far for fear of forcing the Army to impose a military dictatorship. The Army itself is unwilling to do any such old-fashioned thing. And most Argentines only want to be left in peace and quiet and normality, which is perhaps Frondizi's strongest card.

All of this, of course, though fine politically, does not get the country out of its economic mess. But if Argentines begin to let practicality overcome prejudice in politics, it may be that they will learn to accept the economic facts of life as well.

MISSION WITH A PURPOSE

TORONTO U.J.A. LEADERS LOOK AT ISRAEL

By ARTHUR SAUL SUPER

THERE have been all sorts of delegations to Israel in recent years and particularly during this Tenth Anniversary year, but the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto, Canada, nevertheless claims that it has found a new angle. At present touring the country is a group of 18 from that queen city of the North American Dominion. It is an all-man body, the members chosen specifically because this is their first visit to Israel. But the group is unique for another reason. For six weeks before they left Canada for Israel they sat down seriously to study the problems of the State. They invited a number of distinguished lecturers drawn from authorities on this country available all over North America and subjected them to gruelling questions. Then they formulated the issues on which they still needed precise information into a series of carefully prepared questions every one of which is now being put to the highest authorities in the relevant field in Israel.

Among the list of questions are queries like "What would be the effect on Israel's internal political life in the event of the influx of a large number of Jews who have lived for one generation or more under the Communist regime?"

This was one which the Chairman of the Study Mission threw at me. He is Mr. Arthur Minden, Q.C., a cheery, shortish, rubicund man in his early forties. A successful corporation lawyer, his eye is deceptively mild and when you try to answer his question you feel it had better be good, for the cross-examination is yet to come.

Mr. Minden's own story is perhaps representative of the group. He came to Canada from Zhitomir, in Eastern Europe, when he was two years old. His parents were immigrants struggling to make their way and Arthur supported himself through college by selling magazines. Today he is a successful attorney, a Queen's Counsel, and as he puts it, "a member of a fine, intelligent firm. They made it possible for me to get off and come to Israel."

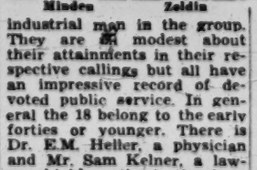
Mr. Minden is convinced that all the data exist in Israel to make it a promising country for investors. It is growing, it has an enthusiastic and eager people, it has confidence in its future. "I have not the slightest doubt," said Mr. Minden, "that there is a trend here towards prosperity." He is rather bashful about the fact that he has won a reputation in Canada for the shrewdness of his judgment on investment prospects. "There are, of course, many unpredictable factors," he added — "the danger of war, upheaval in the area and so on — but whatever field you choose has these imponderables."

Mr. and Mrs. Minden have four children, a son of 21 at the University of Toronto studying philosophy, a boy of 17 who shows a talent for music, a girl of 14 at High School and another of six "who is just a cute kid."

Apart from his law office, Mr. Minden is a director of the United Jewish Welfare Fund, the Canadian National Ballet Guild — Inbal was a new experience for him and he is still a little puzzled by it. He is president of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Canada which supports research into neuro-muscular diseases and hopes that they may be induced to help finance some special research projects in Israel.

Mr. Minden is a typical and distinguished representative of the other professional and industrial men in the group. They are all modest about their attainments in their respective callings but all have an impressive record of devoted public service. In general the 18 belong to the early forties or younger. There is Dr. E.M. Heller, a physician and Mr. Sam Kelner, a lawyer, highly enthusiastic about a new Reform Temple he is pioneering and the implications of Israel on the spiritual life of Canada. Mr. Herbert J. Weiss is an insurance broker and wonders whether insurance company funds could be invested in Israel housing. Mr. Marvin Rothschild is a Hotel operator, and one saw his shrewd appraising glance taking in all details of the Accadia Hotel (where *The Jerusalem Post* met the group) — architecture, decor and service — as did restaurateur Ben Winbaum. More traditional Jewish callings were represented by Morris Goldenberg and Joseph Lokash of the clothing industry, and Mr. Maxwell Beckner, who is in furniture. Mr. Samuel Wallin, engaged in the electrical industry, is a serious student of Hebrew and the son of a noted philanthropist, "founder of *yeshivot* and donor to university and cultural projects."

Above, members of the Toronto U.J.A. Study Mission view the monument to the 19 Palmach fighters who fell at Nebi Yusha, which overlooks the Hula in Upper Galilee. Aboard the immigrant ship "Artza" (below) Joseph Black, member of the Mission, meets new arrivals from North Africa.



Minden Zeldin

But bulking largest in this delegation are the representatives of the building and construction industry. Illustrative of the career of the nine who fall into this category is Noel Zeldin, tall, burly, good-humoured yet basically serious director of the firm that has, in a few years zoomed to the top as the largest constructors of popular housing in Canada.

Noel tells how, a few years ago, he and his brother Sam, also on the delegation, were in the lamp business. On demobilization from the Canadian forces after World War II, they had started modestly enough. The time came when they needed a larger factory and so they built one. No sooner was it complete than they got an offer for it at a handsome profit above the cost of building. "Sam," said Noel, "We're in the wrong business." They formed a construction firm. Today they build low-cost houses for rent and sale, and last year they erected 2,000 houses. Head of the corporation the Zeldin brothers operate is John D. Fienberg, who is General Chairman of the 1959 U.J.A., Toronto.

Noel considers Israel's housing as "excellent, but with no frills. It is smaller, lacks refinements, but is as durable as what we have to offer." He did not think the cost of public housing was out of the way but added a reservation that even in Canada the same house costs more when you build it for the Government than when you do so privately.

He pointed out that building men formed the bulk of the group. There is Murray Atkin, who has built and sold or rented apartment-house accommodation for thousands. Mr. Atkin, a direct and powerful personality, is determined to get to the bottom of Israel's housing for rent problems. In the same business as Murray are Sol Saltzman and Joe Black, and so, in a way, is Jack Rebick, who sells them all builders' materials. They all join together to quiz Harry Kohl, the distinguished Toronto architect, "who just sits at home and draws a few lines on a piece of paper and makes more than we do by the sweat of our brows."

The high spot of the tour, according to Noel, was the *ad hoc* U.J.A. meeting they held in a hotel room in Haifa after they had witnessed the arrival of an immigrant ship. "None of us are very wealthy men, but what we saw moved us and we jacked up our pledges by over 100 per cent to $100,000 and we know we have only just started."

During the tour, the delegation, efficiently shepherded by Toronto's U.J.A. Director, Robert Golden, will meet the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister. Besides touring the country, they are being given regular briefing sessions by high authorities in finance, social and economic problems and defence issues.

AT THE CINEMA

Mythological Ballyhoo

"HERCULES" (Orion, Jerusalem) is a colourful Italian romanza that plays mayhem with Greek mythology. The production is some degrees better than the usual Hollywood efforts of this kind and the designer of the sets had some vague ideas about Mycenean architecture. The whole film is carried by that unbelievable muscle-man Steve Reeves and the majority of the audience seem to be would-be "Mr. Israels," who come without their sweethearts to avoid comparison. Hercules, who speaks in this synchronized version exactly like some American athletic coach, also performs for good measure some of the deeds of Samson, like breaking the columns of the temple. The scriptwriters of this recent primitive form of the mythos have instinctively gone back to the primeval common source of all those sagas about Sun-heroes.

The Man Who Never Laughed

THERE is not much to laugh about in the "Story of Buster Keaton" (Zion, Jerusalem), the comedian who never laughed. Buster Keaton, after all, does not mean to us much more today than Hecuba. Writers and actors have failed alike to provide human appeal. The number of original Buster Keaton shots is far too small.

Civil War Epic

"RAINTREE County" (Eden, Jerusalem) is another monumental Civil War Saga of almost three hours. The essence of the plot involves an idealistic Indiana town school teacher (Montgomery Clift) with the two town belles, Elizabeth Taylor is excellent as the hysterical Southern belle, while her rival Eva Marie Saint successfully behaves more saintly. Despite the participation of three Hollywood stars, top acting honours go to Nigel Patrick, even if his English stage personality is as out of place as the Coldstream Guards in the Civil War.

Th.F.M.

Simenon Thriller

A FILM may click within the first ten minutes and you feel the presence of the real thing. That is the case with "Maigret Tend un Piège" (Orah, Haifa), founded on one of the innumerable Simenon novels. Jean Gabin, having often played the criminal in the past, is now becoming, and not for the first time, the police inspector, expert, deliberate, tired with the boredom of crime investigation become routine — in short, a consummate actor. He, not the murderer, is the lynch pin of the film and behind him unfolds a background in which every set bears the signs of verisimilitude, each room furnished according to the occupant's standing, and the mass of more and less important characters realistically filling the background into life.

A production of enthralling interest which only slips up towards the end — an excellent idea to have a similar murder committed while the assassin is under arrest but spoiled by leading to an over-complicated finale. "Maigret Tend un Piege" is highly recommended.

Old Europe

THE Austrian film continues to live in the past and to find its plots in the glamour of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. "Husaren Manoever" (Armon, Haifa) follows the usual recipe: not very serious soldiering in a still brightly clad army, the attraction of the uniform for the fair sex, a rather boisterous humour and a comic angle which depends on a Hungarian accent in German — and through it all a colouring which clothes the picture in a postcard rusticity. We have seen so much of it before and very little can bear repetition. Pre-1914 is now a Golden Age in Europe west of the Iron Curtain, and some convey their nostalgia with more charm and art than others.

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Readers' Letters

DRIVERS' BEHAVIOUR

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have already complained twice to the Ministry of Transport and to the Management of Dan about the behaviour of the drivers on bus route 76 in Petah Tikva without unfortunately having achieved any improvement. The buses on this route are usually overcrowded, the road in parts narrow and in a bad state of repair. The drivers almost without exception carry on continuous conversation with persons standing next to them or sitting behind them, even turning their heads occasionally from the road. I have repeatedly asked the drivers to stop this dangerous practice only to receive a rude answer.

The remarkable point is that not one of the passengers, including policemen and military, is willing to support my request. What must one do? Write at least twice a day to the Ministry and Management of Dan? Or keep silent in the face of contemptuous disregard of the law by the driver, not to speak of the danger involved?

Maybe if the warnings in the buses: "Don't talk to the driver..." "Don't stand beside the driver." "Don't smoke" etc., are not to be seriously regarded, it would be better for all concerned to discard them. Otherwise these signs, which very rightly teach both driver and passengers how to behave in order to ensure maximum safety but are not enforced by the authorities, lead to a definite contempt of them and the law in general. This attitude teaches our children and future citizens that the law need not be obeyed.

Yours, etc.,
R. GENUSSOV

Kfar Ma'as, November 10.